

MEMORANDUM

November 19, 1964

TO : Boston Redevelopment Authority

FROM : Edward J. Logue, Development Administrator

SUBJECT: ACQUISITION OF HAZARDOUS PROPERTIES IN WASHINGTON PARK
REHABILITATION AREAS.

At an earlier meeting the Authority authorized the Development Administrator to secure acquisition appraisals and title information for all vacant and hazardous properties in the Washington Park Area, with the stipulation that a negotiator would not be assigned for any of the properties until the Authority had formally designated these properties for acquisition.

Subsequent surveys by our staff indicate that forty-three (43) properties in Washington Park rehabilitation areas are hazardous and ought to be demolished as soon as possible. These properties are not only dangerous, but have a demoralizing effect on the surrounding neighborhood and discourage owners of salvable properties from investing in rehabilitation.

Title information is available and acquisition appraisals are well underway on most of these properties. It is appropriate at this time to begin negotiations with the owners of hazardous properties, and to start preparations for an Order of Taking in order that the properties can be released for demolition as soon as possible.

I recommend that the Authority's Real Estate Officer be authorized and directed to begin negotiations for the acquisition of hazardous properties in Washington Park Rehabilitation areas. A current list of properties with hazardous buildings is attached. I expect to submit for approval by the Authority at its first meeting in December, a demolition contract which will include those properties. An appropriate vote is also attached.

BOSTON REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Washington Park Urban Renewal Area

HAZARDOUS BUILDINGS

The following properties in rehabilitation areas of Washington Park are hazardous and should be acquired and demolished.

A. A title examination and two acquisition appraisals have previously been ordered for the following properties:

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BLOCK-PARCEL</u>
15 Akron Street	138-27
161 Ruthven	235X ⁴ -26
100 Ruthven	230-5
17 Crawford	235L-6
3,5 Westminster Terrace	227A-16
7,9 Westminster Terrace	227A-17
73 Holworthy	235F ² -13
79 Holworthy	235E ² -16
78 Holworthy	235D ² -3
80 Holworthy	235D ² -2
57 Hollander	235D ² -14
8 Kensington	221-16
8 Circuit St.	171C-58
42-44 Circuit St.	171C-40
46-48 Circuit St.	171C-39
9 Regent Square	171C-36
30 Regent St.	142-54
28 Regent St.	142-55
103,105 Regent St.	172B-9
65-67 Rockland St.	171C-31
57,59 Rockland St.	171C-29
52-54 Alpine St.	138-15
20-20½ St James St.	137-8

B. Title examinations and two acquisition appraisals ordered for the following parcels on November 16.

<u>ADDRESS</u>	<u>BLOCK-PARCEL</u>
1,2,3,4 Danforth Pl.	137-6
71 Holworthy	235F ² -12
72 Holworthy	235D ² -6
24-26 Hollander	235C ² -5
28-30 Hollander	235C ² -4

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37 Hollander	235E ² -19
18 Rockland St.	167A-21
20 Rockland St.	167A-20
24 Rockland St.	168-1
26-28 Rockland St.	168-31
23-25 Rockland Ave.	168-7
18 Mills St.	167B-12
3,5,7 Regent Sq.	171C-36
38 Rockland St.	169-28
40 Rockland St.	169-27
17 Wakullah St.	170B-6
77 Rockland St.	171B-2
1 Dabney Place	142-52
23 Dabney Place	142-51
32-34 Regent St.	142-53
32,34,36,38,40,42 Hollander	235C ² -3

C. The following properties are scheduled for acquisition and demolition under the terms of the approved Urban Renewal Plan and should be acquired and demolished as soon as possible.

ADDRESSBLOCK-PARCEL

67 Codman Park	224A-2
2680 Washington	172A-1
2 Rockdale	225D-2
4 Rockdale	225D-3

